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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please ensure that small/medium local and regional Internet Service Providers can effectively compete and are not being locked out from providing valuable services by anti-competitive measures from large national ISPs.

The OTMR (One Touch Make Ready) access to utility poles (WC Docket No. 17-84) is a much appreciated step in the right direction. Thank you! The Google Fiber project was severely hamstrung by pole attachment restrictions that were put in place solely to prevent a competitive broadband market.

There are numerous examples where in the absence of genuine competition progress stalls and the sole provider simply maintains the status quo. Only when competition is restored do companies have an incentive to innovate and improve.

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